

Please provide complete and well-written solutions to the following exercises.

Due January 15, in the discussion section.

## Assignment 1

**Exercise 1.** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed linear space. Define  $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  by  $d(x, y) := \|x - y\|$ . Show that  $(X, d)$  is a metric space.

**Exercise 2.** Let  $n$  be a positive integer and let  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Show that  $\|x\|_{\ell_\infty} = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|x\|_{\ell_p}$ .

**Exercise 3.** Let  $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a real inner product space. Define  $\|\cdot\|: X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by  $\|x\| := \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$ . Show that  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is a normed linear space. Consequently, from Exercise 1, if we define  $d: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by  $d(x, y) := \sqrt{\langle (x - y), (x - y) \rangle}$ , then  $(X, d)$  is a metric space.

**Exercise 4 (Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality).** Let  $(X, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a complex inner product space. Let  $x, y \in X$ . Prove the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality for complex inner product spaces:

$$|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \langle x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle y, y \rangle^{1/2}.$$

**Exercise 5.** Consider the set  $A$  of all  $(x, y)$  in the plane  $\mathbf{R}^2$  such that  $x > 0$ . Find the set of all adherent points of  $A$ , then find whether or not  $A$  is open or closed (or both, or neither).

**Exercise 6.** Let  $n$  be a positive integer. Let  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $(x^{(j)})_{j=k}^\infty$  be a sequence of elements of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . We write  $x^{(j)} = (x_1^{(j)}, \dots, x_n^{(j)})$ , so that for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , we have  $x_i^{(j)} \in \mathbf{R}$ , that is,  $x_i^{(j)}$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  coordinate of  $x^{(j)}$ . Prove that the following three statements are equivalent.

- $(x^{(j)})_{j=k}^\infty$  converges to  $x$  with respect to  $d_{\ell_1}$ .
- $(x^{(j)})_{j=k}^\infty$  converges to  $x$  with respect to  $d_{\ell_2}$ .
- $(x^{(j)})_{j=k}^\infty$  converges to  $x$  with respect to  $d_{\ell_\infty}$ .

**Exercise 7.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, let  $E$  be a subset of  $X$ , and let  $x_0$  be a point in  $X$ . Prove that the following statements are equivalent.

- $x_0$  is an adherent point of  $E$ .
- $x_0$  is either an interior point of  $E$  or a boundary point of  $E$ .
- There exists a sequence  $(x_n)_{n=1}^\infty$  of elements of  $E$  which converges to  $x_0$  with respect to the metric  $d$ .

**Exercise 8.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. Prove the following statements.

- (i) Let  $E$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then  $E$  is open if and only if  $E = \text{int}(E)$ . That is,  $E$  is open if and only if, for every  $x \in E$ , there exists an  $r > 0$  such that  $B(x, r) \subseteq E$ .

- (ii) Let  $E$  be a subset of  $X$ . Then  $E$  is closed if and only if  $E$  contains all of its adherent points, i.e. when  $E = \overline{E}$ . That is,  $E$  is closed if and only if, for every convergent sequence  $(x_n)_{n=0}^{\infty}$  consisting of elements of  $E$ , the limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  of the sequence also lies in  $E$ .
- (iii) For any  $x_0 \in X$ , for any  $r > 0$ , the open ball  $B(x_0, r)$  is an open set. The set  $\{x \in X : d(x, x_0) \leq r\}$  is a closed set. The latter set is sometimes called the **closed ball** of radius  $r$  centered at  $x_0$ .
- (iv) Let  $x_0 \in X$ . Then the singleton set  $\{x_0\}$  is closed.
- (v) If  $E$  is a subset of  $X$ , then  $E$  is open if and only if  $X \setminus E$  is closed. Here we have denoted  $X \setminus E := \{x \in X : x \notin E\}$  as the complement of  $E$  in  $X$ .
- (vi) If  $E_1, \dots, E_n$  is a finite collection of open sets, then  $E_1 \cap \dots \cap E_n$  is an open set. If  $F_1, \dots, F_n$  is a finite collection of closed sets, then  $F_1 \cup \dots \cup F_n$  is a closed set.
- (vii) If  $\{E_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  is collection of open sets, (where the index set  $I$  can be finite, countable, or uncountable), then  $\cup_{\alpha \in I} E_\alpha$  is an open set. If  $\{F_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  is collection of closed sets, (where the index set  $I$  can be finite, countable, or uncountable), then  $\cap_{\alpha \in I} F_\alpha$  is a closed set.
- (viii) If  $E$  is any subset of  $X$ , then  $\text{int}(E)$  is the largest open set contained in  $E$ . That is,  $\text{int}(E)$  is open, and if  $V$  is any open set such that  $V \subseteq E$ , then  $V \subseteq \text{int}(E)$  also. Similarly,  $\overline{E}$  is the smallest closed set containing  $E$ . That is,  $\overline{E}$  is closed, and if  $V$  is any closed set such that  $V \supseteq E$ , then  $V \supseteq \overline{E}$  also.

**Exercise 9.** Let  $(x^{(j)})_{j=k}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of elements of a metric space  $(X, d)$  which converges to some limit  $x \in X$ . Prove that every subsequence of  $(x^{(j)})_{j=k}^{\infty}$  also converges to  $x$ .

**Exercise 10.** Let  $(x^{(j)})_{j=k}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of elements of a metric space  $(X, d)$  which converges to some limit  $x \in X$ . Prove that  $(x^{(j)})_{j=k}^{\infty}$  is also a Cauchy sequence.

**Exercise 11.** Prove the following statements.

- Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, and let  $Y$  be a subset of  $X$ , so that  $(Y, d|_{Y \times Y})$  is a metric space. If  $(Y, d|_{Y \times Y})$  is complete, then  $Y$  is closed in  $(X, d)$ .
- Conversely, assume that  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space and that  $Y$  is a closed subset of  $X$ . Then  $(Y, d|_{Y \times Y})$  is complete.

**Exercise 12.** Let  $X$  be a subset of the real line  $\mathbf{R}$  and let  $I$  be a set. The set  $X$  is said to be **open** if and only if there exists a (possibly uncountable) collection of open intervals  $\{(a_\alpha, b_\alpha)\}_{\alpha \in I}$  where  $a_\alpha < b_\alpha$  are real numbers for all  $\alpha \in I$ , so that  $X = \cup_{\alpha \in I} (a_\alpha, b_\alpha)$ . Assume that  $X$  is open. Conclude that there exists a set  $J$  which is either finite or countable, and there exists a disjoint collection of open intervals  $\{(c_\alpha, d_\alpha)\}_{\alpha \in J}$  which is either finite or countable, where  $c_\alpha < d_\alpha$  are real numbers for all  $\alpha \in J$ , so that  $X = \cup_{\alpha \in J} (c_\alpha, d_\alpha)$ . (Hint: given any  $x \in X$ , consider the largest open interval that contains  $x$  and that is contained in  $X$ . Consider then the set of all such intervals, for all  $x \in X$ .)

**Remark 1.** The analogous statement for  $\mathbf{R}^2$  is not true.